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Warner Basin Weed Treatments

Lakeview, Ore. – The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Oregon Lakeview District has approved a decision for treating weeds in the Warner Basin of the Lakeview Resource Area.

This action will reduce invasive plants in the Warner Basin area by an estimated 24,932 acres, over 15 years. In particular, it will allow the use of additional herbicides that are more effective at controlling non-native invasive annual grasses currently infesting hundreds of thousands of acres on the Warner Basin. These invasive grasses are degrading key habitats and increasing the risk of wildfire. Treatments will aid in restoration of these grasslands.

This effort expands the program to allow treatment of both noxious weeds and non-native invasive species. It also allows the use of 14 herbicides, expanding the current range of options for chemical control, consistent with national and state direction for use of herbicides on BLM-managed lands.

Copies of the related planning documents can be found online at: **https://eplanning.blm.gov/epl-front-office/eplanning/nepa/nepa_register.do**

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